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# Lighting The Way

*"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path."*

(Ps. 119: 105)

**A**LIGHT SHINING in the darkness from a lighthouse, sending its beams out over the turbulent waves, warns sailors of lurking danger and is at the same time a source of hope and comfort to them in times of distress and storm upon the trackless ocean. Guided by its light, the mariner is able to avoid dangerous shoals, steer a straight course and arrive unharmed in the harbor of safety.

What the beam from the lighthouse is to the captain as his ship rides the wind-tossed sea, the Word of the Lord is to those who look to it as a lamp unto their feet and a light unto their path. It is an infallible compass, providing exact directions for those who will heed its admonitions: "And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This is the way, walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the left" (Isa. 30: 21).

In all branches of mathematics and the sciences, man may, through constant experimentation, arrive eventually at an understanding of truth. In the sphere of moral and spiritual growth, however, man would destroy himself if an understanding of the ways of righteousness were to be acquired only through a process of trial and error. Knowing this, therefore, God gave us a lamp to give guidance and illumination along the way that we should go. That lamp is His Written Word, the Bible, and it is a knowledge of the Law of the Lord which is contained in His Word that will lead us out of darkness into an understanding of righteousness. "For the commandment is a lamp; and the law is light" (Prov. 6: 23). To this is added the marvelous revelations of the inspired utterances of His prophets, for prophecy is also a light that shineth in a dark place, so the Apostle Peter tells us (II Peter 1: 19), keeping us steadfast in the way until the dawn of the perfect day.

Never in the history of the Christian world was it more essential to look to that light than now. The nations of the world are preparing for conflict on a scale that could bring about the annihilation of the human race and men are asking if there is any hope of survival. In the utterances of the prophets is found the assurance that the works of evil men will not prosper and their plans and purposes will meet ultimate frustration. The light shining forth from the Word of the Lord creates confidence and faith in Him who has promised us deliverance from trouble so that we may escape the shoals of destruction, be kept in the channel of righteousness and arrive at the haven of safety: "For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil. And who is he that will harm you, if ye be followers of that which is good?" (I Peter 3: 12-13.)

Solomon's observation was that "the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day" (Prov. 4: 18). This is the experience of those who have put the Word of the Lord to the test.

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## THE MARCH OF HISTORY

### *Pride of Their Power*

THE FOLLOWING excerpt from an address given by Representative Patterson, who is a member of the House Armed Services Committee and the Senate-House Atomic Energy Committee, before an American Legion audience on December 10, 1957, speaks for itself:

"I am going to reveal here today for the first time some information that I have obtained from most reliable and authoritative sources," Patterson said.

"The Russians at this very moment are rushing to complete the construction of Sputnik V, weighing over a ton and equipped with television receivers and transmitters, that the Soviets aim to place in an orbit 22,000 miles above the earth.

"It will circuit its orbit once every 24 hours.

"Sputnik V will have the potential capability of jamming our early warning radar system, jamming radio and TV communications and broadcasting its own propaganda on any TV channel anywhere in the world according to my informational source.

"Other Soviet satellites in the making will traverse the earth at lower altitudes and may be utilized as bomb carrying vehicles."

It cannot be too strongly emphasized that the Lord is allowing His people to be outmaneuvered by their enemies because there is sin in the camp. The Lord has declared that as the result of unrighteousness:

"Ye shall have no power to stand before your enemies." (Lev. 26: 37.)

Furthermore, the Lord has said that, if we despise His statutes, abhor His judgments, refuse to keep all His commandments and break His covenant:

"I will set my face against you, and ye shall be slain before your enemies: they that hate you shall reign over you; and ye shall flee when none pursueth you . . . and I will break the pride of your power." (Lev. 26: 17 & 19.)

Certainly God is not prospering our nation today and the enemy is moving to slay many in the coming day of conflict. Meantime, our nation trembles before his display of his growing strength when, as yet, none is pursuing us in battle. Moreover, the enemy has sent up his sputniks and, in our failure in the eyes of the nations to do as well, the Lord is allowing the pride of our power to be broken.

To what extent must God's hand rest heavily upon us before we will turn back to Him who alone can give victory over our enemies and restore to us our national pride tempered by humility in the realization that our ability to excel in former accomplishments came to us through our God? Time will render its verdict, but we fear that, as it was with our forefathers, so it will be with us today — the multiplied pressure of tribulation must be exerted upon our nation before it will turn about and acknowledge the Lord as God



and become willing to be recovenanted to Him as His people.

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### *The Gap — A Deadly Danger*

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IN THE *Saturday Evening Post* for December 14, 1957, asking the question, "How Can We Catch Up?," Stewart Alsop tells the shocking story of our present situation in the face of the Soviet development of the deadliest weapon in history. The time of acute danger to the United States is referred to as *The Gap*; that is, from the time Soviet Russia has an operational ballistic missile system until we have matched her capability in this respect.

If Soviet Russia is already producing operational intercontinental ballistic missiles, we are now entering *The Gap* and the time of deadly danger is upon us. The next twenty-four months will constitute this critical period and will also mark the passing of the remaining hours of the Night of Alarm that began on October 15, 1956 and will end on December 11, 1959. The danger is so great that, unless God intervenes in our behalf, millions may perish before the end of this night, for the Kremlin leaders are well aware of the necessity to strike before we are ready to meet their onslaught with weapons of like destructiveness.

All of this gives emphatic emphasis to the necessity to put our own house in order as a nation by turning to the Lord in a great national spiritual revival. Only in this way can the Lord come to our assistance so that we may escape the destruction our enemies are preparing for us.

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### *Ailing Heads of Government*

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IN RECENT years the men who have had the responsibility of government resting upon their shoulders have often been afflicted with serious illness. The United States of America has suffered in this respect with Woodrow Wilson, Franklin D. Roosevelt, and now Dwight Eisenhower, being afflicted with sickness at critical stages in our history. Thus it has devolved upon physically-handicapped men in office to guide the affairs of state and the seriousness of this in times of national crisis cannot be overstressed. It was a sick president at Yalta who made deals from which our nation is now suffering. Even more important decisions must now be made and it will become the responsibility of an ailing president to settle issues which will have a tremendous effect upon the future of our nation.

When we review our national history, we are inspired to read about the stamina of such men as George Washington in the critical days of the founding of this great Republic, of Abraham Lincoln in days of civil strife in a later generation and of others who carried on magnificently under extremely trying conditions. Something must be radically wrong when, despite comforts and advantages former presidents never knew, occupants of the White House in recent years have broken under the strain of office.

It is being said today that the office of the president is too burdensome for any one man to handle. But is this really true? Might it not be that it is the caliber of the men placed in office that presents the real difficulty, the duties of that office being out of proportion to their capabilities? Is there something definitely amiss with the attitude of those aspiring to national leadership when they cannot measure up to the requirements of the office they seek?

When one thinks of the tremendous burden Moses carried as he undertook to lead a rebellious people out of Egypt and through the wilderness to Mount Sinai and beyond, the problems confronting national leaders today fade into insignificance in comparison. Yet, after many years of responsibility, and when Moses had reached the age of 120 years, the statement is made that "his eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated." What a testimony to the physical and spiritual endurance of this man of God!

Why do we see the cares of office breaking men's health today? What is the ingredient lacking in these modern times and what was it that Moses possessed in abundance that enabled this man of God to carry such a burden of leadership when men today break down under far fewer responsibilities? Moses possessed the absolute confidence and unfaltering faith in the sustaining power of Almighty God. He acted at all times under the absolute conviction of the presence of the Lord with him. This enabled him to surmount every obstacle and overcome all opposition without affecting his health in the slightest degree.

We need men, men of physical, mental and spiritual stamina, whose devotion to service will have no adverse repercussions upon their health. It is of such men, led by the Spirit of God, that Isaiah was writing when he said:

"They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint." (Isa. 40: 31.)

The average politician, the type of vote-seeker now elected to office, is in no position to claim these benefits. How can those who work out deals behind closed doors, often not in the interests of God's people, expect God to renew their strength? How can such men surmount all obstacles as on the wings of an eagle when they support, for political advantage, propositions contrary to the Law of the Lord? How can they run and not be weary when the policies they uphold do not have the force of conviction born of a determination to see righteousness prevail? Surely we cannot expect them to continue to walk and not faint in the day of crisis when the purpose of all their planning is to gain political prestige and receive the acclaim of the populace.

No wonder the cares of office break men down, for, instead of dominating and conquering the problems they face in the power and strength of the Lord, their problems destroy them. A weak and sickly leadership will produce an inadequate program that will spell trouble in capital letters, multiplying the difficulties our nation must face in the immediate future. Sick men cannot furnish vigorous and farsighted leadership,



no matter how hard they may try, for their very physical condition makes this impossible. When to this is added the lack of true spiritual concepts based upon an understanding of righteousness — that is, the Law of the Lord — the outlook for the nation governed by such men is precarious indeed.

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### *Lacking in Qualifications*

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ACCORDING to Paul Harvey, as reported over his radio broadcast of December 1, 1957:

"The United Auto Workers Union and American Motor Company are going to start working on a new labor contract next June. The company has sought the advice of nationally-known economists. Now it is seeking the guidance of clergymen. When the two sides meet in June, the company has invited ten prominent United States clergymen to sit in to provide ethical guidance. The company's spokesman says collective bargaining decisions must recognize economic realities. But even more fundamentally they should recognize human values."

About all that can be said for this is that the business executives of the American Motor Company do recognize there are fundamental principles of ethical conduct that both employer and employee should take into account in their relationships. Unfortunately, however, they are seeking advice from those unfamiliar with the Divine law upon which ethical standards are based because they either ignore or reject the source of this guidance. How can the clergy, who reject the Law of the Lord as promulgated in the Old Testament Scriptures, asserting it to be noneffectual in this dispensation, give advice about its ethical application?

While clergymen are familiar with the Ten Commandments and give lip service to the golden rule, they are nearly 100% ignorant of the God-given laws which govern national jurisprudence, monetary reforms, a true standard of wealth, taxation, interest, debt, management and labor and all other regulations outlined in the Divine law which have to do with the moral and economic life of the individual citizen, the family and the nation, as covered by the statutes and judgments of the Lord.

It is going to be interesting to weigh the type of advice that will be given by the ten ecclesiastical leaders the company is selecting to help solve labor-management problems. In view of the fact that, generally speaking, clergymen evince such ignorance of the practical nature of the Kingdom of God upon earth and its administration of righteousness (by means of the Law of the Lord), it would seem to be the height of absurdity to expect them to do more than add to the controversy and confusion that has continually plagued the relationships of management and labor for many years.

In spite of this apparent interest in a spiritual viewpoint upon labor-management problems, if the Divine requirements as set forth in the Law of the Lord were accurately presented at the proposed conference between the United Auto Workers Union and the American Motor Company, there is no doubt that both sides would reject them. Labor would declare the law to be

unfair and management would object to the obligations they would have to assume under that law. Actually, as pointed out in *Digest of the Divine Law*\*:

"The control of the profits of management and the wages of labor are wholly apart from the interests of both, being in the hands of the money exchangers. Vested financial interests have been able to remain aloof from most labor disputes, making both management and labor assume that their difficulties are the result of the greed of the laborer or the selfishness of the employer, when in fact both are the dupes and slaves of a financial system which reaps both ends and the middle; always tending to bankrupt the employer and withhold adequate compensation from the employee. Result: continued warfare between labor and management — each trying to save itself from the inevitable financial pressure from without by organizing against each other; both striving to control production, hours and wages, and blaming one another for their present plight." (Pages 96-97.)

Under the present economic system it would require a complete rightabout-face on the part of both management and labor to bring about an equitable and ethical solution to the situation confronting them. Only men of strong spiritual convictions, having a working knowledge of the Divine economy and its operation, would be in a position to render the assistance that management and labor requires.

Paul Harvey said, "Let's give it a try," which reminds us that, in their economic sickness, instead of seeking the Lord and the implementation of His laws, they are turning to physicians of dubious qualifications. Ecclesiastical leaders, trained to carry on services of Divine worship, are not qualified to advise in matters pertaining to administration; nor are they able to give sound counsel as to the application of the Divine law in specific cases — laws the purpose of which they do not understand and with which, in many instances, they are not even acquainted.

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### *Abundant Waters*

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A CONSIDERABLE amount of controversy has been raised regarding the effect atomic and hydrogen bomb experiments have had upon the weather. That the weather has been erratic, with an increase in the pattern of disturbances, both in storms and floods, has been acknowledged. Scientists, until recently, have denied any connection between this and the nuclear bomb tests. Esdras the Prophet tells a different story.

In II Esdras 15: 40-41 there is a description of the appearance of a "star" that would make the earth afraid. This very fear has been engendered as the result of Russian Sputniks appearing as "stars" in the heavens. The use of such stars for releasing nuclear bombs is intimated in the prophet's statement:

"And they shall pour out over every high and eminent place an horrible star, fire, and hail, and flying swords [intercontinental guided missiles]."

After this, Esdras foretells in a remarkable prediction, there would be a tremendous increase in precipitation resulting in floods:

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"That all fields may be full, and all rivers, with the abundance of great waters."

Intuitively the public at large, in attributing the increased disturbances in the weather pattern to nuclear explosions, has been correct, a view with which the scientists are only now reluctantly beginning to concur. However, Esdras' definite statement that this would be one of the effects of nuclear explosions settles the issue, and events will vindicate this beyond question when, in World War III, the increased use of such bombs produces this result.

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### *Destiny of the World*

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IN HIS radio comment on current news on December 15, 1957, Bob Considine stated that the destiny of the world is predicated upon the United States and Russia remaining at peace. If this statement were true, the hope for the future well-being of mankind would rest upon an extremely unstable basis, for the leadership of Soviet Russia is definitely committed to a war of aggression. The annihilation of the Anglo-Saxon people is their main objective in the coming conflict.

Fortunately the destiny of the world rests upon a far more stable foundation than an indefinite continuation of the present armed truce between the East and West, based upon the Soviet policy of temporary co-existence which they fully intend to terminate when they are strong enough to risk all-out war. The destiny of the human race is predicated upon a promise God has made for the sake of His people. He declares what His reaction will be when Soviet Russia makes the ultimate decision to launch the final military onslaught against His people in order to gain world domination:

"My fury shall come up in my face. For in my jealousy and in the fire of my wrath have I spoken . . . I will plead against him with pestilence and with blood; and I will rain upon him, and upon his bands, and upon the many people that are with him, an overflowing rain, and great hailstones, fire, and brimstone. Thus will I magnify myself, and sanctify myself; and I will be known in the eyes of many nations, and they shall know that I am the Lord." (Ez. 38: 18-23.)

The hope of His people for the establishment of everlasting peace lies in the coming Divine intervention when God will move to destroy the forces of evil aggression. Therefore, the destiny of the world in this present struggle for power rests upon the fulfillment of the promises made by the Lord through the Prophet Ezekiel over 2500 years ago, as this Divinely-commissioned seer foretold the very conditions which would be extant throughout the earth as we enter the new year of 1958 A.D.

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### *Tragedy*

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THE "PALACE GUARD" surrounding former President Franklin D. Roosevelt "shored him up" so that he might win the 1944 election when they knew full well that he was a dying man. But the lust for power on the part of those behind the scenes placed their own

ambitions and desires ahead of the good of the nation and of the life of one man. A dying man went to Yalta where the fruits of victory were surrendered by the steps taken there.

Our nation today is paying an enormous price for all that stemmed from the duplicity on the part of those who kept the nation unaware of the seriousness of former President Roosevelt's sickness. It is well known now that he should never have run for office in 1944; the doctors knew it and so did the "palace guard."

Is our nation now being subjected to a repetition in some degree of that former tragic occurrence? The report is that President Eisenhower did not want to return to Washington from his Gettysburg farm for the Congressional conference on December 3 but that Sherman Adams insisted he must come. According to *Human Events* for December 7, 1957:

"Eisenhower looked well, insofar as physical appearance was an index. However, as the back-and-forth of questions and answers and general discussion proceeded, members of Congress became disturbed. When the President spoke, he articulated very slowly and what he said was not always intelligible. Presidential Assistant Sherman Adams kept repeating, 'What the President means . . .' Ike seemed to have some difficulty in following the various statements and arguments and would indicate that he wanted the answers repeated. This occurred quite a number of times."

Let us face the cold fact — and it is a tragedy — that the present "palace guard" is fighting to retain its power just as the "palace guard" did during the administration of former President Roosevelt. President Eisenhower's health is a source of trouble to those behind the scenes, but they will continue to push him forward in their play for time. The good of the country, the seriousness of conditions facing our nation without adequate leadership, and the health of one man, mean nothing to the "palace guard" who are concerned above all else about the loss of their positions in the government if President Eisenhower is compelled to relinquish the office of the presidency.

It is a tragedy of major proportions to try to continue a sick man in office so that those surrounding him may wield power. Never has our nation faced a more critical period than that confronting us now. Never was a president more needed who could give, not only full time, but even overtime to the problems before the people. Only God can overrule and bring to pass events that will save our nation from disaster and destroy the counsel of ambitious men who jeopardize the welfare of the whole people while they seek their own way.

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### *Sinister Confirmation*

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IN DESTINY for December 1957, in the editorial titled "Coming True?," attention was called to the contribution the present move to integrate the white and colored populations is making toward the "third great peril" that was envisioned by George Washington, which will yet confront our nation in its full severity.

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# Month By Month ·

by A. R. H.

IN LAST MONTH's article in this series, the significance of the insistent demand of modern civilization for more and more power was considered. It was seen that governments plan to expend increasingly fabulous sums of money on building generating stations for the production of electrical and atomic energy. Vast capital sums are available for producing power for industrial purposes because authorities can be convinced that, in following such a course, calculated benefits and specific results will accrue.

Using this picture of power-production as a useful analogy, it was seen that there is a widespread feeling that the churches — which command nothing comparable in the form of financial backing — are failing to fulfill adequately their function as spiritual power houses.

Prayer is the greatest force in the world, yet — by comparison with the immensity of this fact — little is heard today in the churches about the power of prevailing prayer. In this article, the example of Moses and of Onias, the High Priest, as also of the "poor man" of Ecclesiastes (9: 14-15) was cited as evidence of what the power of invocation and prevailing prayer can achieve.

## *A Total Situation*

Turning from these examples in past history, we considered the prospect of the world today, in which the average individual finds his life involved in a total situation so vast that the thought of trying to cope with it seems overwhelming. Normally, the threat of a greater worry tends to eclipse the thought of our lesser worries. But in modern times the threat of total annihilation in an Atomic Armageddon is so stupendous that it fails to come into focus compared with the overriding "lesser" worry of how to survive the economic tribulation which afflicts us and impinges insidiously upon every aspect of our daily lives.

In this article we propose to conclude the extracts from the writings of the historian Josephus, and finally summarize the conclusions arising from a consideration of all these facts and factors. In his famous history, Josephus gives an account of the spiritual principles which Moses tried to hammer into the minds of the Israel people during their exodus from the land of Egypt into the Land of Promise.

## *Christian Civilization Crucified*

In our December article it was claimed that a study of these principles could help us today in our experience, as we pass through the phase of tribulation — running concurrently with other phases — which has been defined dramatically as being "*the exodus of Christian Civilization from economic bondage.*"

If, at the outset, it is asked in what way the exposition which follows can be regarded as being applicable

to the prevailing world situation, the answer is that it should be read in the light of the fact that the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples are the modern continuation of the Israel peoples of ancient times, as distinct from the Jews. Again, it must be read in the light of the fact that Christian Civilization is being crucified on a cross of gold and the vast expansion of material wealth developed during the Christian Dispensation by the world's peoples has come under the domination of an authority which, through the dictatorship of international monetary mechanisms, determines the economic life and death of nations within the orbit of influence of its control.

## *The Divine Assistance*

Thus, in describing the difficulties encountered by the Hebrews on their way through the desert of Sinai, culminating in a battle with the Amalekites, Josephus continues:

"The proceedings of the people of those countries occasioned perplexity and trouble to Moses and when these nations were ready to fight and the Hebrews were obliged to try their fortune of war, they were in want of all necessities, yet were to make war with men who were thoroughly prepared for it. Therefore it was that Moses began to encourage them and to exhort them to have a good heart and rely on God's assistance, by which they had been advanced unto a state of freedom, and to hope for victory over those who were ready to fight with them in order to deprive them of their blessing; that they were to suppose their own army to be numerous, wanting nothing, neither weapons nor money nor provisions, nor such other conveniences as when men are in possession of, they fight undauntedly; and that they are to judge themselves to have all these advantages in the Divine assistance.

## *Abundance of Trials*

"They were also to suppose the enemy's army to want those conveniences which they know must be wanted; when it is God's will that they shall be beaten; and how valuable God's assistance is they had experienced in abundance of trials, and those such as were more terrible than war, for that is only against men; but these were against things which are in their own nature insuperable. Yet had all these difficulties been conquered by God's gracious kindness to them."

The final quotation which now follows is vital to this study since it contains the secret for conquering difficulties which are to all appearances insurmountable. As Josephus confirms:

"And when Moses had thus animated the army both with words and works, and prepared everything, he retired to a mountain; and indeed while Moses stretched out his hand toward heaven, the Hebrews were too hard for the Amalekites; but Moses not being able to sustain his hands stretched out, he had his brother assist him in the extension of his hands. When this was done the Hebrews conquered by main force."



Human nature has not changed much basically since the days of Moses. Our reaction to difficulties depends upon what we see; and what we see depends upon the direction in which we are looking. Confronted with an abundance of trials, our consciousness tends to become mesmerized by miseries whereas a cheerful reliance upon God raises our mind above the level of feeling to the level where faith enables us to see through outward appearances with the power of spiritual perception.

### *Focus of Attention*

Since a disconsolate state of mind is caused by fixing attention on the miseries we now feel, so the cure for despondency lies in transferring the focus of our attention in the opposite direction. Feelings are fleeting things; they come and go. But our mind has to be filled with something. Our minds can be filled with our wrongs or filled with the knowledge of the love of God. By looking to God and turning in prayer to God we find our consciousness becoming elevated by expectation. Through transferring the focus of our attention from our troubles to God we begin to see the outworking of an unfolding purpose behind the difficulties which otherwise seem insuperable and insurmountable.

### *Mighty Force and Main Force*

It is as foolish to underestimate the strength of an enemy as it is to overestimate the strength of the opposing forces which confront us. But no matter how mighty the force against us may be, it is nothing but weakness by comparison with the all-power of the Almighty. All power belongs to God and, when a mighty force comes into contact with the all-power of main force, it gets cut off from the main.

This is the principle previously referred to which reveals the secret of conquering difficulties and overcoming the obstacles which confront us. It is a principle which becomes operative provided our lives are in alignment with the Divine plan and it is the will of God that opposing forces shall be eliminated. Once we gain the realization that we have all advantages in the Divine assistance, we cease from being overmindful of adversities since we see clearly that we are no longer encompassed by opposing forces but encompassed entirely by the power of God.

From time to time individuals are able to reach this point of spiritual perception. But if the mass-mind could be raised to that level of consciousness collectively, miracles of transformation could be achieved.

### *The Third War*

In a recent assessment of the world situation, the Editor of the London *Times*, recounting the economic impact of two world wars upon Britain during the past forty years, declared that the British people now find themselves immersed and enmeshed in a third world war; a financial war for economic survival.

This phrase — a third world war — caught the public imagination and the *Times* was bombarded with letters from readers on this subject, a large selection being published in the correspondence columns,

thus starting one of the liveliest controversies since the end of the Hitler War. It is evident that in the eyes of the mass of mankind today the power of Mammon appears to be greater than that of God because the dictates of Money-power dominate every detail of men's lives daily from the cradle to the grave.

### *The Green Bay Tree*

During the Hitler War it was a common experience to find oneself forced to counter subversive suggestions regarding the might and power of the enemy. The whisper would pass round: "Don't you think we ought to give in before we all get killed?" That was an easy suggestion to dispose of. But if that misfired, there was always another, such as: "Hitler is so successful. Don't you think that in resisting Hitler we are opposing evolution?" The answer to this was that the wicked flourish like the green bay tree. But when the bay tree is cut down, it is good for nothing, not even for firewood!

Perhaps the most subtle of all arguments disseminated was the one emanating from the then-styled Oxford Group: "If in your daily guidance God told you not to oppose Hitler, what would you do?" The answer to this one was that, if this was the guidance received, one would know for a fact that it was not inspired by the Spirit of God.

### *Fight Not Flight*

So, today, in this battle with the modern "Amalekites," attempts will be made to seduce our intelligence by every conceivable false suggestion as to the power of supra-national dictatorship and of the wisdom of submitting to its unrivalled supremacy.

The way of escape, however, does not lie in flight but fight. We do not escape by fleeing from the enemy, but by preparing ourselves to engage the enemy more closely. We shall be saved from the necessity of yielding to opposition forces when, through the power of prevailing prayer, we have found the way of yielding to God only.

As it was in the days of Moses and the Amalekites, so it is today. Divine power is ever-present but must have a channel to work through. By yielding to the Lord we overcome the mighty force against us by God-power. The final consequence of this yielding to God only is that the mighty forces encompassing us are diverted so that the forces of evil themselves encompass their own elimination or destruction.

### *Continuous Intercession*

It should be noted that the Hebrews prevailed so long as the arms of Moses were extended, this extension of the arms being symbolic of the act of continuous intercession. Not that this praying without ceasing means petitioning without cessation. Far from it. What it means is continuing constant in that attitude of prevailing prayer which sees with the eyes of faith the thing desired already done. For true prayer reaches its culminating point when speaking ceases and becomes waiting. We are not heard on account of much speaking. On the contrary it is when we have learned

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# AT THE TIME APPOINTED

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**A**MONG THE millions of Christians in the world today, not many are aware that all things are working out in perfect harmony in accordance with a predestined Divine pattern. Nothing happens by chance; nor are events transpiring in a haphazard way. Actually the expression, "time and chance," alludes only to a human appraisal of man's inability to comprehend the meaning and significance of what is occurring around us. It does not follow, because we see only chaos in the strivings and contentions of everyday life, that there is no overall Divine program. Seemingly unrelated activities, though apparently tending only to confusion and frustration, are all, nevertheless, a part of the warp and woof of the pattern of things to come. At the time appointed in the councils of God the master plan will be fully revealed for all to behold and it will be seen how the threads of turmoil and strife now being woven into the tapestry of time have produced a grand design, showing how all things have worked together to accomplish God's great purposes.

## God Overrules

A definite time has been set for the fulfillment of all things. This is made quite clear by the instructions given to Daniel by the Angel:

"And he said, Behold, I will make thee know what shall be in the last end of the indignation: for at the time appointed the end shall be." (Dan. 8: 19.)

Even the consummation of the mundane plans of earthly kings awaited their appointed time before they could come to complete fruition, which but confirms the fact that God has never relinquished his authority and power over human history, even permitting the violence that has shaken nations to their very foundations. Speaking of the activi-

ties of certain kings, the Angel told Daniel:

"And both these kings' hearts shall be to do mischief, and they shall speak lies at one table; but it shall not prosper: for yet the end shall be at the time appointed . . . At the time appointed he shall return, and come toward the south; but it shall not be as the former, or as the latter." (Dan. 11: 27 & 29.)

If, then, the activities of the worldly-minded are thus carried out in accordance with a God-given schedule, what of those of the godly and of their trials of faith? The Angel Gabriel informed Daniel:

"Some of them of understanding shall fall, to try them, and to purge, and to make them white, even to the time of the end: because it is yet for a time appointed." (Dan. 11: 35.)

## A Set Time

When the Prophet Esdras made inquiry as to future events and asked about the resurrection, when rewards were to be given to the righteous, he was informed that all things are numbered, weighed and balanced, as well as measured. He was told that when the set time arrives nothing could stay the fulfillment of the designated events, as its very timing would conspire to bring it to pass:

"For he hath weighed the world in the balance. By measure hath he measured the times, and by number hath he numbered the times; and he doth not move nor stir them, until the said measure be fulfilled." (II Esdras 4: 36-37.)

Uriel the Archangel illustrated this by saying to Esdras:

"Go thy way to a woman with child, and ask of her when she hath fulfilled her nine months, if her womb may keep the birth any longer within her. Then said I, No, Lord, that can she not. And he said unto me, In the grave the chambers of souls are like the womb of a woman: For like as a woman that travaileth maketh haste to escape the neces-

sity of the travail: even so do these places haste to deliver those things that are committed unto them." (II Esdras 4: 40-42.)

Because this is true, nothing can hinder the approach of the day of the resurrection. Every one of the prophets confirm this orderly march of events to the very consummation of the age when "at the time appointed the end shall be." The Prophet Joel in particular addressed himself to the generation that would be living at that time. Speaking to the elders, the Levites, the judges and leaders of his time, he instructed them to record his message of warning and pass it on from generation to generation until the generation would be reached fulfilling the requirements that would mark it as the generation upon whom the end of the age will have come. While he addressed himself to the leaders of his day, yet, in its dual fulfillment, his prophecy was also directed to the leaders of the generation to which his message was to be applied. Jesus also addressed a message to this same latter-day generation when He said:

"This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled." (Matt. 24: 34.)

## Signs of Fulfillment

The great sign marking the beginning of that generation had to do with Jerusalem, for that city was to be trodden down until the "Times of the Gentiles" were fulfilled (Luke 21: 24). It was in December of 1917 that General Edmund Allenby, at the head of the British forces, captured the city, just 1,335 (Daniel's number of blessedness, Dan. 12: 12) *lunar* years after the beginning of the Hegira in 622 A.D. This date commenced the generation of forty years which would terminate in December of 1957, or 1,335 *solar* years after 622 A.D.

This does not mean that the "completion of all prophecy" was to be accomplished within these dates, as some suppose. In fact, the *Companion Bible* points out in a footnote that the Greek word translated "fulfilled" in the 34th verse of Matthew's 24th chapter means "has begun to arise or take place."

An even greater sign has been given to this generation than the deliverance of the Holy City from the domination of the Turks in 1917 and it again involves Jerusalem and the whole country of Palestine. We are informed in Matthew 24: 32 that the sign of the budding of the fig tree would mark the generation which would, in the process of time, witness stupendous happenings to "begin to arise" or "take place" in proper order according to the Divine agenda. It is well-known to Bible students that the analogy of the "budding of the fig tree," bringing forth leaves but not bearing good fruit, refers to the national aspirations of Jewry and the setting up of the Israeli state in Palestine is the fulfillment of the terms of Jesus' parable. It was to this sign that Jesus was referring, reminding the generation witnessing it that they were to know:

"That it [He] is near, even at the doors." (Matt. 24: 33.)

The Prophet Joel declared that during this generation — for it is the same generation to whom he addressed his message — a strong nation would waste His vine (the House of Israel) and bark His fig tree (Jewry). World War I and World War II brought about the fulfillment of this prediction during the lifetime of this very generation, for the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples, modern Israel in the world today, have experienced the wasting process resulting from these two great wars, while many of the Jews suffered severely, particularly under the persecutions of Hitler.

### *Appeal to National Leaders*

Knowing the urgency of his mission to warn, the Prophet Joel made his first appeal to the national leaders when he proclaimed the words of the Lord:

"Hear this, ye old men, and give ear, all ye inhabitants of the land." (Joel 1: 2.)

In using the term "old men," Joel was calling upon the "venerable men" who were guiding the affairs of His people. In this generation these are the heads of government who are exhorted to become aware of the failures of national leadership which are responsible for the judgments under which God's people are now suffering. But the prophet infers that they will refuse to heed the warnings.

### *Appeal to Ecclesiastical Leaders*

The prophet then turns to the ecclesiastical leaders and endeavors to arouse them to the seriousness of the circumstances confronting the nation:

"Gird yourselves, and lament, ye priests: howl, ye ministers of the altar: come, lie all night in sackcloth, ye ministers of my God . . . Sanctify ye a fast, call a solemn assembly, gather the elders and all the inhabitants of the land into the house of the Lord your God, and cry unto the Lord, Alas for the day! For the day of the Lord is at hand, and as a destruction from the Almighty shall it come." (Joel 1: 13-15.)

But Joel was aware that his message directed to the spiritual leaders of our generation would also fall upon deaf ears — and it has, for they have refused to heed this prophet's warning. Very few of the ecclesiastical leaders in the nations of modern Israel are aware of the significance of the days in which we are living; nor are they conversant with the prophecies which proclaim the imminence of the Great and Terrible Day of the Lord.

### *Appeal to God*

Being unable to arouse either the national or religious leaders to the true significance of what is taking place, Joel makes a direct appeal to God:

"O Lord, to thee will I cry." (Joel 1: 19.)

But there was no message from the Lord to intimate the possibility of an escape from the tribulation that lay ahead. Instead Joel could describe only devastation and desola-

tion as he beheld the approach of the scourge of fire and flame. Joel visualized the increase in disaster that will shortly confront God's people as the day of wrath intensifies its severity. In vision he beheld the terrible destruction wrought by atomic and hydrogen bombs and there was nothing to indicate how all this might be circumvented. National leaders gave no evidence of coping effectually with the urgency of the situation and the spiritual inertia of an indifferent clergy offered no hope that there would be a call for a national awakening to repentance.

### *Sound an Alarm*

The necessity to face the inevitable onslaught of the aggressor who is preparing to attack left no alternative but to sound a grim warning for the sake of the people:

"Blow ye the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in my holy mountain: let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: for the day of the Lord cometh, for it is nigh at hand." (Joel 2: 1.)

As pointed out in the book entitled *Joel's Prophetic Message and Warning\** (first published in 1930):

"The Hebrew word *shofar* — translated 'trumpet' — is used in the Old Testament when this instrument was to be blown to warn the people of war, or to gather them to the solemn assembly. Joel does not use it here to indicate a peaceful gathering, but he speaks of it as a shout of warning to arouse His Kingdom (His Holy Mountain) Israel." (Page 27.)

### *A Fulfilled Sign*

The prophet foresaw the situation to be so desperate as a result of what had taken place that the imminence of the events of the terrible Day of the Lord was uppermost in his thoughts. He referred to a specific circumstance which would be a sign of the approach of that day, the result of a state of anger and trouble sweeping over the nation. While he does not name the cause of this mental anguish, he confirms its existence by the statement: "Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble." As stated in the above-mentioned book:

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"The inhabitants of the land are told to tremble, or — in the meaning of the Hebrew word *ragaz* — be angry and troubled."

This trembling is indicated as overwhelming God's people Israel and, therefore, should be a condition afflicting the peoples of the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic nations. Today this prediction of Joel's is having a literal fulfillment as a result of the appearing in the heavens of the Russian Sputniks I and II, with others to follow. It is reported from many sources that a spirit of great uneasiness, uncertainty and foreboding is abroad, exactly as Joel prophesied concerning conditions just prior to the outbreak of World War III.

The Prophet Esdras is even more specific than Joel as to the cause of this fear and trembling. He specifically declares it is caused by an evil star that would cause all the earth to be afraid (II Esdras 15: 40). Esdras also confirms Joel's timing that the state of fear and trembling would be the signal of the coming of destruction:

"And there shall be great fearfulness and trembling upon earth: and they that see the wrath [a reference to the evil star and to that for which it stands] shall be afraid, and trembling shall come upon them." (II Esdras 15: 37.)

This very situation in our midst today pinpoints the appointed time when that which Joel goes on to describe as following this state of alarm will soon transpire. It was to herald the wrathful aspects of the Day of the Lord and it is most significant that this sign is in evidence just as the forty-year generation closes.

### ***Clouds and Thick Darkness***

Days of calamity are at hand and Joel points out that there would now follow a time of darkness and of gloominess — a day of clouds and thick darkness (Joel 2: 2). The prophet speaks of a great and strong people, strong because of their ability to make war. Note Joel's description of their use of atomic weapons as they attack in a war of aggression:

"A fire devoureth before them; and behind them a flame burneth: the land is as the garden of Eden before them, and behind them a desolate wilderness; yea, and nothing shall escape them." (Joel 2: 3.)

It is not a pleasant picture but it is a true portrayal of what is coming as a result of the continued lack of proper leadership among God's people, both national and ecclesiastical, preventing them from being spiritually prepared so that they may be granted the physical strength to repel this evil aggressor. Joel proceeds to describe the results that follow this state of unpreparedness and the final awakening of the inhabitants to the need of Divine protection to save them from complete annihilation. He points out that Divine intervention will not come until modern Israel, the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples, awaken to the recognition of who they are, acknowledging their origin and their responsibility as the God-commissioned agency to be used in bringing about the restoration of the righteousness of the Law of the Lord on the earth.

### ***Effectual, Fervent Prayer***

Joel even outlines the exact prayer that must be prayed in sincerity of heart, with full knowledge of the true meaning of what the petition expresses, for only then will God move to succor His people and save them from their enemies. The day will come when priests, ministers and religious leaders of every denomination and creed will, in believing humility, give voice to this prayer:

"Spare thy people, O Lord, and give not thine heritage to reproach, that the heathen should rule over them: wherefore should they say among the people, Where is their God?" (Joel 2: 17.)

To what extent must the pressure of adversity increase upon our nation before our heads of government will recognize the necessity to turn to the Lord and the ecclesiastical leaders will become willing to set aside their theological doctrines and dogmas to accept the great truths of the Scriptures as presented by the prophets which identify the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples as the Israel of God in the world today?

### ***His Wrath is Come***

This is the Great Day of God's Wrath, one sign of which the Prophet Esdras speaks of as associated, not only with the evil star, but with atomic fire as well:

"The fire is gone forth from his wrath, and hath consumed the foundations of the earth, and the sinners, like the straw that is kindled. Woe to them that sin, and keep not my commandments! saith the Lord. I will not spare them . . . for the Lord knoweth all them that sin against him, and therefore delivereth he them unto death and destruction." (II Esdras 15: 23-26.)

This is not a time to deal lightly with spiritual matters, for the Lord states here without equivocation that He will not spare those who persist in sinning against Him. That is why it is during the Great Day of His Wrath that the question is asked: "Who shall be able to stand?" (Rev. 6: 17.) On the other hand, the Prophet Malachi writes in quite another vein concerning those who, in reverential fear of the Lord, spend much time in discussing with one another the great truths pertaining to His coming and to the restoration of His Kingdom:

"Then they that feared the Lord spake often one to another: and the Lord hearkened, and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared [reverenced] the Lord, and that thought upon his name. And they shall be mine, saith the Lord of hosts [the Lord of battles], in that day when I make up my jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him." (Mal. 3: 16-17.)

While the sinners are not to be spared, those who serve the Lord are to be saved from destruction by atomic fire, a fact confirmed by the Prophet Isaiah. Referring to the day of burning when the wicked will be as chaff, he states:

"The sinners in Zion are afraid; fearfulness hath surprised the hypocrites." (Isa. 33: 14.)

The prophet then asks the question:

"Who among us shall dwell with the devouring [atomic] fire? Who among us shall dwell with everlasting burnings?" (Isa. 33: 14.)

The answer follows in the next statement:

"He that walketh righteously, and speaketh uprightly; he that despiseth the gain of oppressions, that shaketh his hands from holding of bribes, that stoppeth his ears from hearing of blood,

and shutteth his eyes from seeing evil." (Isa. 33: 15.)

Because they are righteous in the eyes of the Lord, they are given the assurance of a place of refuge, followed by the added blessing:

"Thine eyes shall see the king in his beauty: they shall behold the land that is very far off." (Isa. 33: 17.)

Isaiah is here predicting what is confirmed by Jesus in reference to those who, being clothed in the garments of His righteousness, will be accounted worthy to escape the devastating destruction of atomic fire. They are told:

"When these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh." (Luke 21: 28.)

The events of which Jesus was speaking, to which Joel and Esdras referred, and concerning which Isaiah and all the rest of the prophets testify, are even now beginning to come to pass. Chronologically they are taking place at the appointed time, which will become even more apparent following the

close of this forty-year generation. Soon now those who meet the rigid qualifications will behold the King in His beauty and they will escape coming desolation. It is to those that Jesus addressed Himself as follows:

"Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man." (Luke 21: 36.)

It is of this specially-blessed group that Paul was speaking when he said:

"Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord." (I Thess. 4: 17.)

In *Behold, He Cometh!*\* the following invaluable comment upon Paul's statement is made:

"What is this place of meeting, or assembly, which lies between earth and heaven? Actually the statement, 'to meet the Lord in the air,' may be more

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accurately rendered, 'in the mid-region.' The dictionary defines 'region' as 'one of the portions into which the atmosphere is conceived of as divided according to height, or the sea according to depth.' It is those who have ascended into this mid-region between earth and heaven whom Isaiah speaks of as beholding the King in His beauty, and of whom he says, 'You shall look on your land spread below' (Isa. 33: 17, *Ferrar Fenton Trans.*). From above they will witness the coming of judgment upon the tyranny and evil works of men (Ps. 91: 8). In opposition to the 'mid-region' is the 'nether region,' or the depths below, from whence evil arises to afflict mankind." (*Behold, He Cometh!* p. 50.)

It is not without significance that when all this is about to come to pass Sputnik I and II have been launched to circle the earth below this mid-region. The signs multiply that this is the generation upon whom the ending of the age has come; that it is the time appointed when the mystery of God is about to be finished (Rev. 10: 7). Thereafter all peoples and nations shall be made aware of His glory, His majesty, His might and His power.

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to continue in prayer and watch in the same with thanksgiving, that we find that act of prayer is beginning to move mountains.

The point is that we reap if we faint not. We cannot reap if we faint and become weary in our minds. Herein lies the significance of the injunction: "*Let not him that wavereth think to receive anything of the Lord.*" Does that sound harsh? It is not so really. It points to a basic principle we must learn to understand and use. It is only by being still that we can know God. That is a spiritual law and we cannot change it. And it is only by learning to be still inwardly — to be at peace — that the Divine power can become freely operative in our lives.

Prophecy indicates that the Armageddon climax is imminently upon us; therefore, it is too late for the mass-mind of mankind to absorb these spiritual principles now. But the impact of Armageddon will call forth "*the spontaneous cry of the stricken spirit of the race,*" and out of that spiritual S.O.S. wrought from hearts and minds of the modern descendants of the ancient Hebrews, will come the Divine deliverance which will prove to be nothing less than life from the dead for the peoples of the world as a whole.

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It was pointed out that the joining of forces from Asia, Europe and Africa in this phase of trouble, with World Communism acting as the loadstone, may well be to unite these people in a common objective — "the overthrow of this great republic."

The following is an extract from the book titled *A Racial Programme for the Twentieth Century* by Israel Cohen (1912) which sets forth Communist policy. This extract was read into the *Congressional Record* for June 7, 1957, page 7633:

"We must realize that our party's most forceful weapon is racial tension. By propounding into the consciousness of the dark races that for centuries they have been oppressed by the whites, we can mold them to the program of the Communist Party. In America, we will aim for subtle victory. While inflaming the Negro minority against the whites, we will endeavor to instill in the whites a guilt complex for their exploitation of the Negroes. We will aid the Negroes to rise in prominence in every walk of life, in the professions and in the world of sports and entertainment. With this prestige the Negro will be able to intermarry with the whites and begin a process which will deliver America to our cause."

*The Canadian Intelligence Service* for November 1957, after quoting the above, called attention to a statement made by Mr. Brock Chisholm, a former director general of the UN World Health Organization:

"As far as I am concerned, the sooner we're all interbred, the better."

The following excerpt is from an article by Kenneth Goff, who writes from personal experience as a former member of the Communist Party:

"The Kremlin's masterplan for this hour is to unite all the dark races under her banner to liquidate the one race that has always stood as a stumbling block in their road to World Power. Dr. Niemoeller recently said: 'The big issue in the  
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THE WESTERN POWERS now face the gravest dangers which have ever confronted civilization in recorded history. Any wishful thinking about the true meaning of Russia's latest scientific advances might prove fatal. We have now reached a point at which Russia is well ahead in some aspects of the scientific race. The implications of this are very grave. Russia is absolutely convinced that she possesses the scientific weapons plus the conventional forces necessary to gain complete mastery of the entire world. In this she may prove to be wrong, but the conviction is dangerous. The rivalries within the Kremlin circle pale into relative insignificance alongside the over-all situation which now faces us — namely, that within a short period of time the Russians may be able to control satellites loaded with nuclear weapons which they are able to release at the moment of their choice on any targets they care to choose.

It remains true that critical developments in the Middle East may, and probably will, create a situation in which such threats become real. It also remains true, for the present, that if the Russians put such a threat into action the Western powers can still retaliate with great force. But, if we continue to drift along as we have during past years, a situation may arise in which, unless they succeed in inducing us to unconditional surrender, the Russians will be able to launch a large number of satellites, each loaded with nuclear weapons, and thereafter issue an ultimatum. In such circumstances, the Russians would probably be able to release, within a matter of minutes, nuclear weapons upon every single base and every center of control in the Western world. It is such a situation toward which Russia is steadily, inexorably and ruthlessly working. The West must now work equally inexorably to stop such a possibility from development into fact. Khrushchev and the Russian leaders (and they are all fanatics, whatever their personal rivalries) are out for one of two things — the unconditional surrender of the Western powers or their extermination. Nothing will divert Russia from this objective, except force or the effective threat of it. Any who think to the contrary cannot be aware of the facts and can be basing their opinions only upon a pious hope for which there is no warrant or foundation of any kind whatsoever. If we allow the Soviet Union to continue unhindered along present lines, there can be no shadow of doubt as to what the outcome will be. At no distant date, the Western powers will find themselves utterly helpless in the face of a threat unparalleled in history, and one to which there would be no effective answer at all.

Once we allow Russia to encircle the planet with satellites loaded with nuclear weapons, humanly speaking, it will be hard to discover the answer. Whatever answer is found will be far more costly and dangerous than the consequences of a strong policy now. The road to absolute disaster is that of disunity, weakness, fear and surrender. Despite Russia's immense advantages, she is not yet in a position to encircle the whole planet with satellites loaded with nuclear weapons. But she soon may be. That point may come all too quickly. It is, therefore, imperative that the Western powers toughen at once before it is too late.

At almost any moment an incident could occur in the Middle East which, if we resisted it, would lead to war and, if we surrendered, would give Russia time to perfect the weapons she is now working on — after which she would be able effectively to impose her own terms. It is true that the Western powers have advantages and weapons of very great importance and one of these, if used, would be decisive. But the emphasis is on the word "use." If we do nothing with the advantages we possess, and if we let events drift until the Soviet Union has complete mastery, then our whole armory, however important, will prove to be useless.

Russia has achieved what she set out to do. First, a crisis was quite artificially created between Turkey and Syria; then Russia appeared on the scene as the defender of little Syria; then the affair was allowed largely to fizzle out. As a result, Russia is posing as the saviour of Syria and her grip on that country has tightened. Syria is a satellite and the Western powers accept the situation without serious protest. Now, it appears, the government of Jordan is to be isolated. Russian, Syrian and Egyptian propaganda and subversion attacks on the King and his government are in step with one another and are clearly concerted.

The whole Middle East situation continues to be increasingly serious. Russia is making piecemeal but steady advances — despite United States bombers armed with H-bombs at fifteen-minute notice on the tarmac — and the Western powers accept each new accretion of influence. Egypt and Syria are strategically under Soviet control. If the Jordan intrigue succeeds, Israel will be completely surrounded by hostile Russian-aided Arab States, while Britain finds increasing difficulties in the Gulf area and at the southern end of the Red Sea.

It is known that Russia has done everything in her power to encourage extremists to plot the murder of King Hussein of Jordan. The plan is to murder the Kings of Iraq and Saudi Arabia thereafter. If King



Hussein is murdered, Jordan will probably become a Russian military base. Is not such policy, in fact, aggression? Where shall we get to if we allow everything short of an actual Russian military move to go by default? We know that all the NATO intelligence experts, the British Foreign Office and the Turkish, Israel and Jordan governments are all well aware of the facts and have all produced first-class appreciations of the real situation. What is lacking is effective policy and action to counteract the trend toward domination of the Middle East by creeping aggressions without any effective resistance. Should we not now declare that any further military build-up in Syria or the murder of King Hussein will be deemed aggressions and bring full-scale retaliation from all the NATO powers, using all weapons? If we said this, Russia would know what to expect. That may well be the sole chance of peace.

Bonn is pessimistic about the whole world situation. West German leaders seem to have lost any illusions they may have had earlier this year about the prospects of a peaceful settlement of world problems. The general consensus of authoritative opinion is that war is almost inevitable not later than the autumn of 1959. That is now the background of West German policy. One of the main bases for this opinion is German knowledge of the Russian military mind. It is believed in Bonn that Russia is in a critical political, economic and military phase and, in many senses, is now at or very near the apex of achievement.

The Germans have a healthy respect for Russia's technical successes, especially as many of these are due to the work of German scientists whose abilities are well known in Germany. But German observers make a big distinction between Russia's capacity to produce sensational prototypes — such as "Sputnik" — and her ability to mass-produce weapons based on advanced and complex scientific developments. It is, therefore, argued that, as Russia now has the lead in practically every field except surface vessels, she may feel compelled to exploit this before the West catches up.

It is the opinion in Germany that Russia is now in an unpleasant dilemma. She must make the most impressive propaganda possible about her scientific achievements in order to gain the support — or at least the neutrality — of European and Asiatic nations at present inclined toward the Western powers. On the other hand, the Russian leaders well understand that the more impressive the demonstrations of technical strength designed to weaken the Western alliance, the more quickly America will be driven into a frenzy of productivity, as a result of which she will catch up with Russia in every field and eventually blot out her present superiority. It is this dilemma — so it is thought in West Germany — which puts a time limit on peace. With Sputnik, the new intercontinental ballistic missile, and the expectation of a rocket to the moon, Russia has entered an irreversible phase of acceleration. But it cannot be kept up for more than about two years. By then, America, under the impetus of Russian achievements, will catch up. There is also grave misgiving about what Western Germany regards as the weakness and indecisiveness of American policy which, it is thought, may precipitate a crisis leading to war at any time. Some Russian leaders, it is said, think

that now is the time to act, and it is also being said that Western weakness at the London disarmament talks did much to determine the course of Russian policy in the Middle East.

Russia's plans to dominate the world have passed beyond the ideological stage. Moscow is not in the least interested in Communist parties outside Russia except insofar as they are convenient agencies. Russia's plans have also passed beyond the stage of diplomatic adventure. They have been for some time, and still are, essentially military plans and every diplomatic move is based on military appreciations. Koniev, at this moment, is one of the most powerful men in Russia, although he and the other Army chiefs are not fully independent of the politicians.

The Moroccan situation, which looked rather more reassuring a few months ago, has taken a turn for the worse. There is no doubt of the strength of the Russian political and military offensive aimed at bringing down the Sultan and destroying strategically important Western bases in Morocco. The closest attention should be paid to developments on the Sahara and Mauritanian frontiers, which are becoming serious danger spots in North Africa.

Many of us believe that beyond physical considerations are spiritual ones. Those of us who firmly believe in the Christian Faith are steadfastly looking for a moment of great awakening in the Western world which, at a critical moment, will convince a great mass of people as to the facts which face us and the dangers with which we are confronted. Divine intervention in the affairs of mankind may, indeed, be imminent. Many feel it cannot be long postponed, but that is not to say that we are entitled to drift irresponsibly in the meantime, which is now our habit and custom.

Many think that these are the closing days of that era and that it will end with the manifestation promised to the Church by the Fathers. Those who do so believe, nevertheless, likewise believe that the judgment of the irresponsible at that point will prove to be far graver for them than either the consequences of nuclear war or of surrender to Communist tyranny, and while, therefore, there is a consolation to be had from Christian conviction, a mere acceptance of the inevitability of Divine intervention is not a thing lightly to accept, since it may well prove to be worse for those guilty of irresponsibility than any other outcome of human affairs. Whichever way one looks at the present situation and whatever one's convictions may be — Christian or agnostic, easygoing or anxious — we are confronted by an imminent crisis of unparalleled magnitude without precedent or comparison in all the history of the human race upon this planet. How long it will endure before it reaches its climax none can tell, but there are many signs that the time in hand is short and, if that be true, the time available for effective action is equally short.

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# THE BIBLE AND SEGREGATION

## PART I

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**M**ANY PEOPLE have asked us if there is anything about racial segregation in the Bible. When told that there is, this request invariably comes forth: "Then do tell us where to find such information."

As a matter of fact, the Bible has so much to say on this subject that it cannot be covered fully in the space of a two-part magazine article. Therefore, the information contained herein is intended to serve mainly as an outline of Biblical events and teachings which have a bearing on the explosive racial issues now making headlines in the news of the world.

### *Genesis IV*

For the present purpose we begin this study with the fourth chapter of Genesis. This is the first recorded event in the life of Adam and his family after their eviction from Eden. It began in a peaceful setting amid fruits of the field and sheep of the pasture. Then came sudden tragedy. In anger Cain killed his brother Abel. When questioned by the Lord about his crime, Cain denied it, thus adding the sin of lying to that of murder.

By a premeditated overt act Cain demonstrated his unworthy character and his unfitness to propagate a righteous race in the earth. Consequently, his penalty was banishment, in order to remove his evil influence from the household of Adam. By Divine decree, Cain and his descendants were isolated — or segregated, if you please — from the godly line of Adam through Seth. "A fugitive and a vagabond shalt thou be in the earth," declared the Lord God. "And Cain went out from the presence of the Lord, and dwelt in the land of Nod, on the east of Eden." Ferrar Fenton gives this reading of the last clause: "and lived in a land of exile on the eastern side of Eden."

There follows a brief record of Cain's descendants, their city, their arts and crafts. It ends in the family tradition of violence with Lamech's confession: "I have slain a man to my wounding, and a young man to my hurt." A fragment of poetry, probably the oldest extant, tells it as follows:

"Adah and Zillah! hear ye my voice,  
Ye wives of Lamech! give ear to my tale:

A man have I slain in dealing my wounds,

Yea, a youth in striking my blows:  
Since sevenfold is to be the avenging of Cain,

Then, of Lamech, seventy and seven!"

Chapter four concludes with an account of the birth of Seth. Concerning him, Eve said, "For God hath appointed me another seed instead of Abel, whom Cain slew." The closing sentence is especially significant: "And to Seth, to him also there was born a son; and he called his name Enos: then began men to call upon the name of the Lord." Or, as the marginal reading puts it, "then began men to call themselves by the name of the Lord."

Here, in the opening pages of Biblical history, we find the beginnings of two divergent groups, two distinct types of civilization. The first is that of Cain, if the aggression and subversion of the Cainites can be called "civilization." For the Cainites had one unvarying pattern of life; like their progenitor, Cain, they went the way of "the world, the flesh, and the devil." The second contemporary civilization was that of Seth. Being a God-conscious race, the Sethites sought the Lord, worshiped Him, and called themselves by His name.

For further proof that the separation of Cain was no inconsequential or temporary thing, turn to the fifth

chapter of Genesis, which gives the genealogy of the patriarchs from Adam to Noah, and note that the name of Cain is not included in the record. His segregation was so complete and permanent that he was not registered in "the book of the generations of Adam" — truly a significant fact.

### *Genesis VI*

Many centuries elapsed between the events recorded in the fourth and sixth chapters of Genesis. There is some difference of opinion among Bible scholars as to the length of this period. Archbishop Ussher's Chronology sets the time between Adam and the Flood at 1656 years; the Septuagint gives a total of 2262 years for the same period. In any case, we may be sure that enough time had passed for the Cainites and Sethites to become great multitudes and spread over large areas of the world. Each went its own separate way for a time and there is no more information about them until the fateful era of Noah.

Then, in chapter 6, the reader is confronted abruptly with dramatic circumstances which led to the greatest catastrophe in the history of the world. With its usual directness and brevity, the Bible states the case against the once godly Sethites in the first four verses. The charge reads:

"And it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born unto them, that the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair; and they took them wives of all which they chose. And the Lord said, My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years. There were giants in the earth in those days; and also after that, when the sons of God came in unto the daughters of men, and they bare children to them, the same become

mighty men which were of old, men of renown." (Gen. 6: 1-4.)

God's sentence of guilt and the penalty imposed follow immediately in the next three verses:

"And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. And it repented the Lord that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart. And the Lord said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them." (Gen. 6: 5-7.)

Thus we have before us the ending of a wonderful era — the passing of a great civilization into oblivion.

The most astonishing thing about the extreme sentence against the people of Noah's time is that they are charged with only one sin — with the violation of only one command — and that is the decree that the godly line, selected to serve God's purpose, *must* maintain its racial purity. "Each after his kind" is a basic law for all the different races of mankind, as well as for all the other living things of His manifold creation. All lesser creatures keep this law instinctively; only man has the desire to defy the natural order.

For centuries theologians have disagreed about the exact nature of the intrusion which brought about the miscegenation of that period. Opinions differ as to the meaning of the words "sons of God." Some scholars believe that they refer only to the Cainites, who undoubtedly did mix to some extent with Sethites; but others of equal standing believe that the reference is to angels, the "fallen angels" mentioned in II Peter 2: 4 and Jude 6. Dr. Moffatt substitutes "the angels" for "sons of God"; and the Smith-Goodspeed reading is: "The sons of the gods noticed that the daughters of men were attractive; so they married those whom they liked best."

However, agreement on the meaning of the words in question is not essential to the purpose of this study. The point of importance here is that some kind of infiltration did take place which resulted in marriages contrary to God's established order and His expressed will. Therefore, the sin responsible for the

death sentence was a widespread and forbidden mixing of dissimilar peoples, which corrupted utterly the sons and daughters of Adam and Seth, a race that numbered among its early notables the beloved Enoch who "walked with God."

"But Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord. . . . Noah was a just man and perfect in his generations, and Noah walked with God." Hence Noah was worthy to become the founder of a new order based on obedience and service to God. He prepared an ark of refuge for his family as commanded. When it was finished God shut them in. Seven days later the Flood began and continued until ". . . every living substance was destroyed which was upon the face of the ground, both man, and cattle, and creeping things, and the fowl of the heaven; and they were destroyed from the earth: and Noah only remained alive, and they that were with him in the ark" (Gen. 7: 23). So — defiance of *one* Divine command brought to an end one of the greatest eras in world history.

#### Genesis IX

This chapter records the beginning of a new age and God's rainbow covenant with Noah. Inasmuch as the genealogy of Noah and his sons is found in the tenth chapter, it is arresting to find this singular statement in chapter nine, verse 18:

"And the sons of Noah, that went forth of the ark, were Shem, and Ham; and Japheth: *and Ham is the father of Canaan.*"

Evidently the last clause was added as a clue to the incident which follows concerning Ham and his father. Whatever Ham's indiscretion was, Noah "knew what his younger son had done unto him." We agree with the Rev. T. H. Leale's comment on this statement:

"The expression implies something more than carelessness or omission, and suggests the idea of some positive act of shame or abuse." (*Preacher's Homiletic Commentary*, Gen., p. 162.)

The act was of such a nature that it moved Noah to pronounce a curse — not, it seems, upon Ham, as one might expect — but upon his son Canaan. It reads:

"Cursed be Canaan; a servant of servants shall he be unto his brethren. And

he said, Blessed be the Lord God of Shem; and Canaan shall be his servant. God shall enlarge Japheth, and he shall dwell in the tents of Shem; and Canaan shall be his servant." (Gen. 9: 25-26.)

Perhaps Ham's character had been tainted by association with Cainites. He may have married a Cainite woman, in which case his son Canaan could be the means of perpetuating the evil works of Cain in the new order founded on the house of Noah. While the cause may be obscure, the effect is clearly stated: Noah's grandson Canaan and his descendants were removed from their official status in the great patriarch's family and reduced to servitude among their kinsmen. "A servant of servants shall he be unto his brethren" — this Hebraism denotes extreme degradation, a state of slavery.

To illustrate how this sort of thing follows through in Bible history, turn to Genesis 10, verses 15-20, and note among Canaan's descendants the Jebusites, Amorites, Hivites, Canaanites, et cetera. Then turn to Joshua 9, and discover these same people "gathered together, to fight with Joshua and with Israel, with one accord." The chapter concludes with this report:

"And Joshua made them that day hewers of wood and drawers of water for the congregation, and for the altar of the Lord, even unto this day, in the place which he should choose." (Joshua 9: 27.)

We are hearing much idle talk these days to the effect that there must be no such thing anywhere as "second class citizens." This nonsense is based on the assumption that God created all human beings equal in every respect, and that He has drawn no lines of distinction among them. But in the Bible we find inequalities that segregate into classes members of the same family, to say nothing about distinctive qualities of race and color. Not man but God decides a person's status in society. As the Psalmist declared: "God is the judge: He putteth down one, and setteth up another." (Ps. 75: 7).

#### Genesis X

A modern historian would need many volumes to tell the story which is crammed into this one chapter. It is a register of the chief families



of Noah's three sons. It says of Japheth, his sons and grandsons:

"From these they spread themselves over the sea-coasts of the countries of the nations, each with their language amongst the gentile tribes." (Gen. 10: 5, *Ferrar Fenton Trans.*)

Three of Ham's sons receive special mention. Cush was the father of Nimrod, renowned as a powerful ruler and "mighty hunter." His empire at first was Babylon, "from which he pushed out into Assyria, building the great city of Nineveh . . ." (Moffatt). It has been aptly said of him:

"Proud Nimrod first the bloody chase began,  
A mighty hunter — and his prey was man."

Ham's son Mizraim is associated with Egypt; his name is used in the Old Testament for Egypt or the Egyptians. Listed among several branches descended from Mizraim we find Israel's old enemies, the Philistines. Canaan, as mentioned above, fathered many of Israel's enemies, including the Canaanites, who spread abroad from Sidon and Gaza to Sodom and Gomorrah. "These are the sons of Ham, after their families, after their tongues, in their countries, and in their nations."

Last but foremost in the roster is the family of Shem, the father of all the children of Eber (Heber), "the ancestor of all the Hebrews" — according to both Moffatt and Smith-Goodspeed. The house of Eber was divided into two branches, one headed by Peleg and the other by his brother Joktan. Japheth — Ham — Shem — "These are the families of the sons of Noah, after their generations, in their nations: and by these were the nations divided in the earth after the flood."

#### Genesis XII

Bible history is the story of civilized man. In the first ten chapters we have glimpsed his progress and pitfalls from Adam to the Deluge; and onward from Noah to a new and remarkable development in history. Chapter 11 marks the dividing line between the old order and the new. The tower of Babel episode brought about the confusion of languages and the scattering of the

people "abroad upon the face of all the earth." Up to this point the Bible has been concerned with Adamic history in its broad and general sense; but now it narrows down, first to the Peleg branch of Shem's family, then to one man in that line, namely, the man Abram, or Abraham, as he was called later.

From Genesis 12, the stream of history moves forward from Shem and Abraham to the Anointed One, Jesus Christ, the Saviour and King. Here is the one fact of supreme importance. All else is secondary. Knowledge of the will and ultimate purpose of the true God was to be preserved in the line of Shem through Abraham. The first step toward this end was the great covenant which has set the course of history from its beginning to the present time. It reads as follows:

"Now the Lord had said unto Abraham, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee, and I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: and I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all the families of the earth be blessed." (Gen. 12: 1-3.)

Notice that the future condition of men and nations was to be determined by their attitude toward the Covenant Race: if co-operative, they would be blessed; if belligerent, they would be punished according to their deeds. The covenant plan moved slowly at first as God carefully selected the founding fathers of His chosen race and kingdom. He called one and rejected another on the basis of fitness for His purpose. In this process of Divine selection one can find the key to a proper understanding of today's race problems, if he will seek truth with an open mind and honest heart.

#### Genesis XVI, XVII, XXI

These chapters establish proof of discrimination in God's plan, discrimination which bears directly on the segregation controversy today. Abram and Sarai, in their impatience for an heir, attempted to provide a substitute via Hagar, Sarai's Egyptian handmaid. Although Ishmael was born in due time, the experiment was a failure and brought grief to all concerned. First, it vio-

lated God's will as stated to Abram and Sarai; and second, it violated the law of race purity, for Ishmael was a half-breed and not a legal son in the covenant line. God rejected Abram's plea that Ishmael might inherit the greatest of all covenants between God and man.

As if to wipe out past blunders and start over, God changed Abram's and Sarai's names to Abraham and Sarah, and augmented the covenant shortly before the birth of Isaac (ch. 17). The name "Abraham" means "father of many nations" or multitudes. Sarah's name means "princess" and of her God said:

"I will bless her, and give thee a son also of her: yea, I will bless her, and she shall be the mother of nations; kings of people shall be of her." (Gen. 17: 16.)

Then to Abraham the Lord said:

"Sarah thy wife shall bear thee a son indeed; and thou shalt call his name Isaac: and I will establish my covenant with him for an everlasting covenant, and with his seed after him. As for Ishmael . . . Behold I have blessed him . . . But my covenant will I establish with Isaac, which Sarah shall bear unto thee at this set time in the next year." (Gen. 17: 19-21.)

Thus Divine events come on schedule exactly as planned, in spite of man's impatience and mistakes.

Let the skeptics give attention especially to verses 9-14 of chapter 21. Observing Ishmael's mocking attitude, Sarah said to Abraham: "Cast out this bondwoman and her son: for the son of this bondwoman shall not be heir with my son, even with Isaac." Abraham was distressed at the thought, but God said to him: "Let it not be grievous in thy sight because of the lad, and because of thy bondwoman; in all that Sarah hath said unto thee, hearken unto her voice; for in Isaac shall thy seed be called."

Verse 14 portrays the final scene as Abraham sorrowfully sent Hagar and Ishmael away to remain apart — segregated — from the Covenant Race yet to come through Isaac. Bleeding hearts — weep not for Ishmael! He was to receive God's mercy and blessings *within the bounds of his own kind* — "twelve princes shall he beget, and I will make him a great nation" (17: 20). He was wholly unfitted for the high calling of God in Isaac, and would

have been a disrupting influence had he remained within the domain of Isaac. Before his birth an angel of the Lord said of him: "... his hand will be against every man, and every man's hand against him" (16: 12).

#### Genesis XXIV

Now that we have God's plan before us, as stated in the covenant with Abraham, we shall outline concisely its course and development through the years to come. By the time Isaac was forty years of age, Sarah had died and Abraham was old. There was no suitable wife for Isaac in Canaan. So Abraham said to his most trusted servant:

"Put, I pray thee, thy hand under my thigh: and I will make thee swear by the Lord, the God of heaven, and the God of the earth, that thou shalt not take a wife unto my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I dwell: but thou shalt go unto my country, and to my kindred, and take a wife unto my son Isaac." (Gen. 24: 2-4.)

The servant started on his journey with Abraham's assurance that he would be guided in his mission by an angel of the Lord. And that is how the trek led to Rebekah, granddaughter of Nahor, Abraham's brother. Some years later Esau and Jacob were born to Isaac and Rebekah. Though twins, they were entirely different. "Two nations — and

two manner of people," the Lord said of them, "and the one people shall be stronger than the other people; and the elder shall serve the younger" — that is, the Esau people would be subservient to the Jacob people (25: 23-25). Thus, according to qualities inherent in their nature, God classifies some of His people inferior and others superior. And who are we to question His wisdom or presume to change what He has decreed?

Jacob had his faults but he was not a man with malice in his heart. Esau hated Jacob and said in his heart, "The days of mourning for my father are at hand; then will I slay my brother Jacob" (27-41). His choice of wives also reveals the bent of his nature. His first two wives were "daughters of Heth"; that is, Hittites, who were a sore trial to Rebekah (27: 46); his third was a daughter of Ishmael (28: 6-9). Incidentally, the Hittites descended from the Ham-Canaan line.

Jacob, like his father Isaac, sought marriage among the kinsmen of Abraham. His wives, Leah and Rachel, were the daughters of Laban; later, at their insistence, he took as wives their maids, Bilhah and Zilpah. It seems likely that the two maids came from families who had long been associated with those of Nahor and Laban, as no protest was

made against them and their sons were included in the covenant. These four women gave birth to Jacob's twelve sons, from whom came the Israelites of Biblical history and fame.

From this first part of our study an important truth emerges: it is that the men whom God chose to institute upright nations in the world were altar builders. Noah, Shem, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob-Israel — all set up altars wherever they went and worshiped the one true God. Ham, Ishmael and Esau built no altars to the God of Noah and Abraham. The peoples who came of them turned early to idolatry and made their own gods.

It is well to remember also that not all individuals in the righteous line led exemplary lives. Even the best among them made grievous errors. But their tendency was always upward; if they fell, it was forward, with hands reaching out to God for strength to rise and try again. Their sins led them to repentance. Conversely, not all individuals in the godless line were bad. Some exhibited personal traits of kindness and goodness; but the tendency in general was always downward, away from God and His righteousness — without repentance.

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world today is whether or not the white race will be in existence 40 or 50 years from today. The dark race constitutes five-sevenths of the people of the earth, and there is a great movement among them."

"The cold war for world conquest is not being fought just in Europe, Asia and Africa; but in every home, church, school and legislative hall in America. The Kremlin plan to destroy the white race by mongrelization is well under way . . . .

"As early as 1936, when I was a member of the Communist Party, I could already see the handwriting on the wall; Earl Browder and Eugene Dennis told us in our Plenum meetings, that the proud capitalist-inspired white civilization was the only remaining obstacle in the path of the final triumph of World Communism. They boasted that once its back was broken by war, depression and mongrelization, we would see the red flag flying over the parliaments of men."

The Supreme Court of the United States has, through its decisions, lent its office to the furtherance of the Soviet program. The seriousness of this was pointed out in "Suppressed Information," DESTINY for January 1956, where it was revealed that the judges of our Highest Court cited Communist propaganda as "modern scientific authority" to support their findings.

When an attempt is made to overstep the boundaries God set to separate races and nations, trouble and

bloodshed will follow as surely as night follows the day. Moses proclaimed:

"When the Most High divided to the nations their inheritance, when he separated the sons of Adam, he set the bounds of the people according to the number of the children of Israel. For the Lord's portion is his people; Jacob is the lot of his inheritance." (Deut. 32: 8-9.)

The Anglo-Saxon-Celtic race is the Israel of God in the world today. These people are the lineal descendants of the northern ten-tribed kingdom that was carried away captive into Assyria. From the land of their captors they took up their westward trek, ultimately arriving in the isles from whence they spread westward to inherit the desolate heritages mentioned in Isaiah's prophecy (Isa. 49: 8). Today the enemy is very active, moving to destroy the purity of the racial stock that God declared would constitute the nucleus of His Kingdom and through whom, as the administrators of His law, peace would ultimately be established in the earth. Thus, the enemy within and without is endeavoring to destroy God's inheritance.

The strategy of that attack is to bring about the annihilation of the white race, either by physical destruction or through the pollution of its blood stream.

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# RUNAWAY JUGGERNAUT

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WITH EAST AND WEST locked in a desperate, tautening arms race, the world more and more came to resemble a technological nightmare, a madhouse of misdirected science. Bombers of the Strategic Air Command, armed with thermonuclear weapons, were aloft around the clock, ready to streak to Russian targets at the first warning of a Red missile approaching the United States. While Soviet Sputniks orbited the earth, development engineers labored feverishly to perfect a deadly assortment of missiles, rockets and other weapons of space-age devastation.

Nor could the scientific mind, within the cramped confines of its materialistic outlook, see any way of breaking the vicious circle, any way of ending Operation Rat Race. For years to come they could foresee only ever more frantic efforts to maintain supremacy in weapons. If by some miracle peace came, they could envision nothing better than a glorious age of gadgetry to complicate living and keep men preoccupied with trivia while neglecting the sound, basic, rewarding realities of life.

The most depressing commentary on the times was the reaction of Western leaders when it became evident that Russia had built up a formidable organization of scientists and technicians. Instantly the cry arose for more scientists — more inducements for scientific studies, more scholarship aid for students of the sciences, more emphasis on science in public schools. No cry was raised for humanists or philosophers or spiritual leaders to give direction to the runaway mechanism of science so that it might become a blessing rather than the bane of humanity.

The spiritually-attuned minority, alive to the import and auguries of the times through Biblical prophecy, saw in the frenzied turbulence crowning evidence that the materialistic human world order was in its death throes. For the chaos had been predicted, the looming destruction foretold, as the inevitable consequence of a way of life in which all the established values are inverted — a civilization in which the Kingdom of Heaven is sought *last* rather than *first*.

While the armory of atomic weapons was being readied and the deadly missiles perfected, the tinder, touch-and-go world situation that is to bring them into play remained at a relative stalemate. A flare-up here, a clash there, a crisis demanding urgent efforts of a UN peacemaker all served to keep tensions at fever-pitch until the hour of final denouement. And always the unfaltering testimony of the time-cycles bespoke the unity and continuity of the whole intricate Divinely-directed process.

Emboldened by their rocketry successes, the Russians jarred the West on November 4 by banning any further closed-door disarmament sessions. Meanwhile, Britain and America still further handicapped themselves *vis-a-vis* the monolithic Kremlin colossus by diluting their potential for swift retaliation. Informed diplomats revealed that the Anglo-Saxon partners had agreed to offer their allies a voice in future decisions governing the use of atomic and hydrogen weapons.

The number 666 — the mark of the Beast and also the numerical symbol of man's spiritually-bankrupt world order — marks these November 4 developments. They fell exactly  $2 \times 666$  days after Communist forces attacked the Indo-Chinese fortress Dien Bien Phu on March 13, 1954. Significant too is the 286-day interval of displacement or human error extending from November 4 to August 17, 1958. This terminal will be  $8 \times 390$  days (renewal and Israel's chastisement) after President Truman ordered the H-bomb into production on January 31, 1950 (Chart I).

The tinderbox Middle East sparked ominously. On November 9, King Hussein accused Egypt of trying to foment mutiny in Jordan. Meanwhile, Syrians and Turks fought a thirty-minute gun battle across the northeastern end of the tense border. The date fell 390 days (Israel's chastisement) after the October 15, 1956 Jordan-Iraq military agreement and  $7 \times 120$  days (warning perfected) after the Geneva "Summit" Conference closed (Chart II).

An interval of 420 days solar, extending forward from November 9, strikes an outstanding chronological milepost. This 1959 terminal (January 9) will be both  $12 \times 1290$  days lunar (desolation) after the United States entered World War I and  $8 \times 390$  days after the Korean War opened on June 25, 1950. The 420 factor is one-sixth of the 2520-day Biblical trial or probation period. It therefore unfolds successive phases as judgment overtakes the arrogantly materialistic works of man (numerically symbolized by six).

Vitriolic denunciation, amounting virtually to a call for King Hussein's assassination, continued to pour from Cairo radio. Meanwhile, the King toured areas where unrest was considered dangerous to assert his authority. This was on November 10, a date precisely  $7 \times 270$  days (birth travail perfected) after General Naguib took over the Egyptian government on September 7, 1952. And a lunar 420-day interval, extending forward from November 10, terminates on December 29, 1958. This date will be 1260 days (tribulation) after the Geneva "Summit" Conference opened (Chart I).

Ignoring bitter French protests, the United States and Great Britain agreed on November 14 to sell small

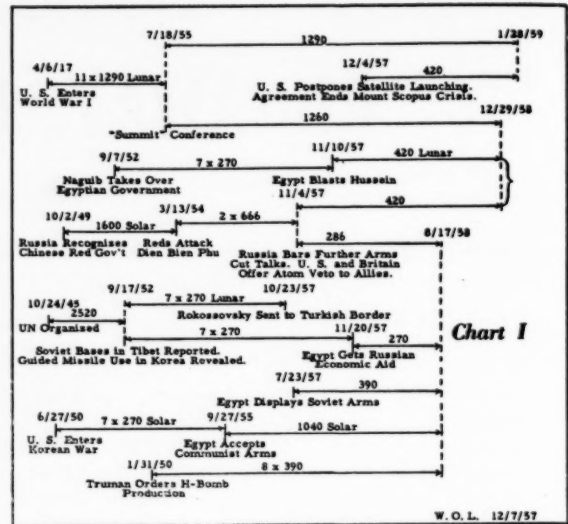
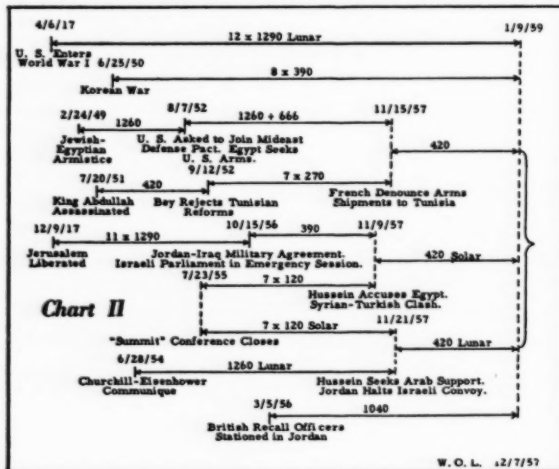


arms and ammunition to Tunisia. The action opened a major rift in the Atlantic Alliance at the very time when intense diplomatic efforts were being directed toward knitting it closer together in the face of Russia's massive threat. Chronological data strikingly underscores the ominous portents of the development. It fell precisely  $11 \times 286$  days (the human error factor multiplied by the number of disorder and disintegration) from April 4, 1949 when the Atlantic Pact was signed. November 14 was also 270 days after February 17, 1957 when President Eisenhower appealed for the Israelis to withdraw from Egypt. This date, in turn, was  $2 \times 1600$  days (judgment) after the British evacuated Palestine on May 15, 1948 (Chart III).

France reacted bitterly to the Anglo-American arms shipments to Tunisia. Denouncing the move before the National Assembly on November 15, Premier Felix Gaillard termed it a grave and unfriendly act. The date links significantly to the unfolding pattern of Mid-east travail. It fell 1260 (tribulation) plus 666 days after August 7, 1952 when the United States was asked to join a Mideast defense pact and 666 plus twice 1260 days after the February 24, 1949 Jewish-Egyptian armistice. November 15 was also  $7 \times 270$  days (birth travail perfected) after September 12, 1952 when the Bey of Tunis rejected reforms proposed by the French. And precisely 420 days separate November 15 from the important January 9, 1959 terminal, which will be  $12 \times 1290$  days lunar after America entered World War I (top of Chart II).

Washington sources disclosed on November 17 that Russia had started to claim in blunt and unmistakable terms that its armed forces were now equipped with intercontinental ballistic missiles — a portentous warning that the confederacy spearheaded by the Soviet Union is approaching the zenith of its power. Again chronological factors provide graphic corroboration. The November 17 information release came exactly  $7 \times 666$  days after February 11, 1945 when the Yalta Conference closed. Since seven is the number of numerical perfection, the  $7 \times 666$  time-measure connotes the "perfection" of the power of the anti-God forces seeking to block establishment of God's Kingdom (not charted).

Also on November 17, leaders of World Communism



ended talks in Moscow which diplomats viewed as tightening cooperation both in the Communist Party and at government levels.

A joint Syrian-Egyptian parliamentary session, meeting in Damascus on November 18, called on the two governments to open negotiations immediately for federal union of Syria and Egypt. This was  $7 \times 270$  days solar (birth travail perfected) after August 18, 1952 when NATO revealed plans for bases on the Dardanelles. Equally noteworthy is the 390-day Israel's chastisement interval extending from November 18 to December 13, 1958. This important terminal will be both 1600 days (judgment) after Great Britain agreed to evacuate Suez and 1335 days after the Bandung Conference opened on April 18, 1955. When it applies to non-Israel nations, the 1335 factor is also a number of judgment (top of Chart III).

Note that the arrival of Egyptian troops in Syria on October 13, during the height of the Turkish-Syrian crisis, fell 420 days solar before December 13, 1958.

Meanwhile, at UN headquarters in New York, Russia rejected U. S.-approved plans to expand the UN disarmament commission to 25 members.

Cairo sources disclosed on November 20 that Russia had promised to lend Egypt 200 million dollars for economic development. At the same time the United States Embassy announced release of \$600,000 aid payment to Egypt.

Disclosure of Russia's loan to Egypt came  $7 \times 270$  days after September 17, 1952 when establishment of Soviet bases in Tibet was reported. An additional 270-day birth-travail interval, extending forward from November 20, terminates on August 17, 1958. This date will be 1040 days solar (fruition) after Egypt accepted Russian arms on September 27, 1955 (Chart I). Note that on July 23, exactly 390 days before the August 1958 terminal, Egypt displayed arms received from the Soviet Union.

King Hussein, on November 21, sent messengers to three Arab chiefs of state to rally support in the face of continued propaganda attacks by Egypt and Syria. Meanwhile, Jordan touched off a new crisis by halting an Israeli convoy which had to pass through Jeru-

salem's Arab sector to reach a Jewish settlement on Mount Scopus. The developments came 7 x 120 days solar after the Geneva "Summit" Conference closed and 1260 days lunar (tribulation) after June 28, 1954 when a Churchill-Eisenhower communique revealed the Western world's inability to take resolute action against ruthless Soviet aggression. November 21 also fell 420 days before January 9, 1959 (Chart II).

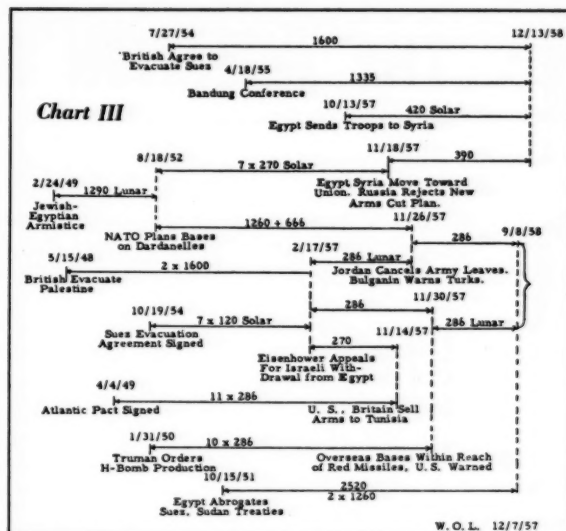
Note the striking pattern of accelerating Mideast travail unfolded by the three terminals of the 420-day cycle extending to the January 1959 chronological milepost.

Amid a new upsurge of tension, Jordan canceled all troop leaves. Meanwhile, Soviet Premier Bulganin warned Turkey against continuing pressure or an attack against Syria. These November 26 events fell 1260 plus 666 days after August 18, 1952 when NATO plans for bases on the Dardanelles were revealed. They also came 286 days lunar after February 17, 1957 when President Eisenhower appealed for an Israeli withdrawal from Egypt and 286 days before September 8, 1958. This terminal will be 2520 days (trial or probation) after October 15, 1951 when Egypt abrogated her Suez and Sudan treaties with Great Britain (Chart III).

Washington reports revealed on November 30 that American intelligence chiefs had informed the Senate Preparedness Subcommittee that almost all American air bases in Europe and Africa are now within range of Russia's "operational and on-site" intermediate-range ballistic missiles. The grim warning came precisely 10 x 286 days (perfection in displacement) after January 31, 1950 when President Truman ordered the H-bomb into production (Chart III).

The United States lost additional scientific prestige on December 4 when a much-publicized launching of a small satellite had to be postponed — and on a subsequent test failed to get off the ground. On the same day UN Secretary-General Hammarskjöld announced that Jordan had agreed to lift its blockade of the Israeli enclave on Mount Scopus. The date fell 420 days before January 28, 1959, which will be 1290 days (desolation) after the Geneva "Summit" Conference opened (top of Chart I).

The sterility of Twentieth-Century civilization, along with the lemming-like race to the brink of atomic annihilation, is due less to dearth of knowledge than to misplaced emphasis. Whatever can be studied in a test



tube or smashed in a cyclotron is probed tirelessly by the most brilliant minds available. No commensurate effort is devoted to the laws of spiritual welfare or the mysteries of salvation.

"Hear the word of the LORD, ye children of Israel: for the LORD hath a controversy with the inhabitants of the land, because there is no truth, nor mercy, nor knowledge of God in the land." (Hosea 4: 1.)

Since the single-track dynamics of materialistic civilization can neither arrest its destruction-bent momentum, nor even discern that a wrong turn has been taken, there must be direct intervention by the Lord of Creation to save mankind from itself. The imminence and certainty of such intervention provides the only beacon of hope for a world direly jeopardized by the fearsome products of its weapons laboratories.

"The HIGH LORD Who dwells up above,  
Will fill Zion with Justice and Right.

Make Truth her honour;

Salvation, Wisdom, and Knowledge, her strength,  
And her Treasure, — the fear of the LORD."

(Isa. 33: 5-6, Ferrar Fenton Trans.)

Unless heavenly wisdom and knowledge of the will of God are at the controls, the engine of science can never be other than a Juggernaut of destruction.

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**Q.** I have read where the Two Witnesses clothed in sackcloth and ashes are represented by the Old and New Testaments. Another states that they are the Bible and the Great Pyramid. What is your interpretation? Can they both be right?

C. J. E., Washington

**A.** The account of these Two Witnesses is set forth in the 11th chapter of Revelation. Prophecy often has more than one application in the process of its fulfillment, the near view and the far view. When the prophets of old spoke, they often described local conditions, yet that very description and their pronouncements of judgment had a prophetic application to events to occur in the distant future. It is, therefore, possible that symbolisms used in the Bible may have more than one application, but not until the final day of fulfillment comes do events fit in detail every phase of the original pronouncement.

It is true that the Old and the New Testaments both witness to the truth of Divine revelation. It is also true that the Bible and the Great Pyramid both Testify to the accuracy of the Word of the Lord. But these two groups of witnesses fall short of fulfilling all the requirements as set forth in the 11th chapter of Revelation by which to iden-

tify the Two Witnesses whose activities are recorded there.

It has always been essential to the Divine program that witnesses be available to present the truth, for, as declared under the law:

"At the mouth of two witnesses, or at the mouth of three witnesses, shall the matter be established." (Deut. 19: 15.)

Much speculation has taken place as to the identity of the Two Witnesses of Revelation, but the Sacred Record itself informs us who they are, for it states in Revelation 11: 4 that they are "the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth." Now the olive trees are emblematical of Israel and Judah — not the Jews, for the emblem of Jewry is the fig tree. The candlesticks symbolize the churches and John saw seven in all (Rev. 1: 13). The two here associated with the olive trees would indicate a part only of these churches as participating actively in witnessing. Thus, these Two Witnesses would constitute that part of Israel and Judah associated with His Church and that part of the Church only represented in two candlesticks out of the seven which were spirit-filled, carrying out the mission entrusted to them. These spirit-filled men and women in the midst of His people, believing God, are those out

of Israel and Judah but associated with His Church, of whom God has said:

"Ye are my witnesses, saith the Lord, and my servant whom I have chosen: that ye may know and believe me, and understand that I am he." (Isa. 43: 10.)

If, then, we accept the above identification of the Two Witnesses as correct, these Witnesses are the faithful followers of our Lord who are identified with His body, the Church. For His sake they have remained true in spite of persecution and martyrdom. Thus, though compelled to proclaim the truth in sackcloth — that is, in mourning — and enduring tribulations, they have consistently witnessed throughout the Christian Era in the twofold power of the Word and the Spirit.

As pointed out by John, the testimony of these spirit-filled Witnesses has been like a "fire" unto their enemies. John declared that, if anyone "hurt" them, in like manner they would be "killed." These are all symbolic terms, by which is meant that the testimony of these Witnesses would condemn and consume their enemies in the day of judgment. John states that while it is possible for their enemies to "hurt" the Witnesses; that is, make their testimony ineffective, ultimately, in the day of final assize, their enemies will themselves be condemned by the very testimony of those whom they had "slain."

Thus, the accomplishments of these Two Witnesses, their ultimate "death" and coming "resurrection," have been and are being fulfilled in the life and activities of those designated as overcomers. See the book entitled *Study in Revelation*\* for further information on this most important subject.

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One phase of this attack is being engineered through preparations to launch a nuclear blitz against God's people as Soviet Russia builds up her armed strength for evil aggression. Another phase of attack, on a second front already in evidence, is the move to compel integration, backed by a United States Supreme Court decision, which, for political purposes, the Administration has attempted to enforce as the law of the land. Both moves, one without and one within, are Devil-inspired and, while in the Divine plan and purposes they will not succeed, much misery and suf-

fering will be the lot of our nation so long as they refuse to recognize the machinations of the enemy in our midst. Actually the enemy within is doing his work well and Israel, blind to her origin and destiny, is helpless to fight a successful battle against this subtle foe.

It is most essential to our survival as a nation that our identity as God's people Israel be proclaimed, for in the light of the knowledge of our origin the sinister purposes of those who would destroy us will be clearly revealed for all to see. In that revelation will come our national salvation and the complete rout of our foes.



# Credendum

AS YOU READ DESTINY it will be helpful to bear in mind as a fundamental tenet that it identifies the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic and kindred peoples as the House of Israel in the world today. The key to understanding the national aspect of the Bible lies in the acceptance of this basic truth. The ten-tribed Kingdom of Israel, or House of Israel, is distinct and separate from Jewry. In the Scriptures the terms "Israel," "Judah" and "Jew" are not synonymous and the course of history is widely divergent for the peoples properly classified under each of these titles.

The House of Israel is today an innumerable multitude apart from Jewry, a fact which the *Jewish Chronicle* for May 2, 1879 recognized by its reference to the ten tribes as represented by peoples who are not Jews. There it is stated: "The Scriptures speak of a future restoration of Israel, which is clearly to include both Judah and Ephraim [another term designating the House of Israel]. The problem, then, is reduced to its simplest form. The ten tribes are certainly in existence. All that has to be done is to discover which people represent them."

The information published in DESTINY provides the evidence showing that Israel left Palestine while the Jews remained. The movements of the Israel clans are traced out of the East, across Europe to their new settlement in the Isles of Britain, and then on to America. The prophets foretold Israel's westward trek and the monuments and traditions record the Divinely-guided wanderings of this people who left "waymarks" behind them as they journeyed toward their ultimate destination. Today the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples alone bear all the marks by which the House of Israel was to be known in the latter days and they have unconsciously fulfilled in their history, and do fulfill in their present-day activities, what the Word of God declares would be accomplished by them in these latter times.

It is natural that, in the presentation of facts at first thought so startling, the immediate effect of proclaiming these new (yet not new) truths will bring opposition from some quarters where past beliefs are upset. But the evidence of racial movements throughout history, and the marks set forth by which the Israel of God was to be known in modern days, are so unmistakably clear that the failure to seriously consider the evidence will jeopardize the future welfare of the Anglo-Saxon race. For if the people of this race are the lineal descendants of the northern ten-tribed Kingdom of Israel — and they are — there has been placed upon them today a responsibility they cannot escape. The failure to awaken to the knowledge of their identity and assume their responsibility as the people with whom God made His unalterable covenants, and upon whom He laid His law, will bring upon them inevitable national suffering and trouble.

Were the opponents of the identity right in their

assumptions, there would, of course, be no such responsibility; but here again it is essential that the facts be made known. This DESTINY is doing. The people themselves constitute the court of appeal and must render a decision as to whether the facts presented are correct or the objections raised are valid. It is also important to carefully consider that God Himself will pass final judgment in accordance with the verdict rendered by the people, bringing weal or woe upon the nations of Israel in days to come as the inevitable consequence of the course chosen and pursued.

Let those who are opposed to proclaiming the identity ponder well the fact that they, too, have a tremendous personal responsibility. When it is universally recognized that the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples are modern Israel, opponents of this truth who have succeeded in leading many astray, and hindered to that extent the national awakening and return to God in wholehearted acknowledgment of His sovereignty and obedience to His laws, will discover that He will not hold them guiltless.

God is not a man that He should lie and He gave His promise that Israel (He did not say Judah) would never cease to be a nation before Him. He gave the continuity of the heavenly signs as a guarantee of this (Jer. 31: 35-36). The *Jewish Chronicle* says, "Find this people" and DESTINY points to the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic peoples in whose history the prophecies of the Scriptures pertaining to the House of Israel are all being fulfilled today.

Sometimes the objection is raised that, because we stress the Gospel of the Kingdom, we have failed to recognize the part personal salvation plays in the redemptive plans of God. While DESTINY Magazine does give specific attention to the Kingdom evangel, this is by no means an indication that the Gospel of Salvation is relegated to a lesser position.

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